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SUBJECT: UNCTAD: COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG
LDCS

REF: A. GENEVA 558
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C. GENEVA 514

1. DEPT IS VERY PLEASED THAT FIRST SESSION OF COMMITTEE
ON ECDC WILL BE SPLIT INTO TWO PARTS AND COMMITTEE
MISSION'S RECOMMENDATION THAT WASHINGTON PARTICIPATION
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WILL NOT BE NECESSARY FOR FIRST PART (FEBRUARY 7-8), BUT
WILL BE REQUIRED FOR SECOND PART (MAY 2-6).

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION INFORMING US IF GUIDANCE IS
REQUIRED FOR ANY DECISIONS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN AT FEBRUARY
MEETING. WE HAVE REVIEWED PROPOSED RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR
THE COMMITTEE AND NOTICE ONE PROBLEM WHICH IS DESCRIBED IN

PARAGRAPH 4 BELOW. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE MISSION RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS RAISED IN REFTEL (B) IN LIGHT OF DEVELOPMENTS AT FEBRUARY MEETING.

3. WE FULLY SUPPORT CREATION OF GROUP B WORKING GROUP UNDER LEADERSHIP OF MISSION, WHICH SHOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IN PREPARING FOR MAY MEETING. WE SHARE THE WORKING GROUP'S CONSENSUS, DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF REFTEL (C), AND WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING TO WHAT EXTENT THESE VIEWS ARE SUPPORTED BY OTHER MEMBERS OF GROUP B. WE WOULD ALSO BE INTERESTED IN RECEIVING ANY INFORMATION WHICH MISSION CAN OBTAIN FROM UNCTAD SECRETARIAT WHICH WOULD INDICATE TO WHAT EXTENT PRESENT STAFF MEMBERS CAN BE USED FOR ECDC WORK PROGRAM. WE WILL PROVIDE ASAP PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON ECDC ACTIVITIES IN ECLA AND ECA, REQUESTED IN REFTEL (C).

4. WE NOTE THAT IN RULE 19 OF THE PROPOSED RULES OF PROCEDURE, THE SECRETARIAT HAS SUGGESTED THAT THE BUREAU OF THE COMMITTEE CONSIST OF SEVEN MEMBERS, FOUR OF WHICH WOULD COME FROM GROUPS A AND C, GIVING THE G-77 A CLEAR MAJORITY. WE WOULD PREFER TO SEE THE BUREAU EXPANDED TO EIGHT MEMBERS, WITH FOUR FROM GROUPS A AND C COMBINED, THREE FROM GROUP B AND ONE FROM GROUP D. THIS WOULD ENSURE THAT NO GROUP WOULD HAVE A MAJORITY AND WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH RULE 19 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD, WHICH GIVES THE G-77 SIX OUT OF 12 POSITIONS IN THE BUREAU OF THE TDB. WE WOULD APPRECIATE MISSION'S VIEWS ON THIS QUESTION.

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